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EUPHRASIAN HIGH SCHOOL

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Final Commencement Held at Euphrasian High School

MRS. VINCENT ASTOR AND MR. ALAN BETTS WELCOMED TO MADONNA HEIGHTS

Mrs. Vincent Astor and Mr. Alan Betts were given a hearty welcome to Madonna Heights by Mothers and Students on Tuesday, May 8. The various trees were in full bloom and even the light rain that fell did not mar their beauty or dampen the spirits of Euphrasianites. The entire group was assembled on the front lawn and as the car bearing the guests drove up to the main entrance the girls gave them an enthusiastic greeting trying to show in this small way, before the entertainment began, how deeply grateful they were for her generosity and kindness.

Following the luncheon, the Glee Club greeted Mrs. Astor with "We Thank You Once, We Thank You Twice." A series of tap dances in which the girls were dressed in appropriate costumes were performed by the Euphrasian "Rockettes." The Glee Club then gave their rendition of "One Little Candle" and "Do-Re-Mi." The last dance was to the tune of "Tip Toe Through The Tulips." A large tulip was in the center of the stage. At the end of the dance, each girl pulled a petal and out stepped Blanca Mercado to present a corsage to Mrs. Astor.

In her gracious way, Mrs. Astor thanked the girls for the lovely entertainment and said it would be a day she would long remember. Before leaving Mrs. Astor and Mr. Betts had a glimpse of the Vincent Astor cottage which is nearing completion.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

EUPHRASIAN HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday, June 20, 1962

PROCESSIONAL
Pomp and Circumstance

HYMN
Hail Holy Queen

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS AND ADDRESS TO GRADUATES
Reverend Joseph M. Collins

HYMN
Christ The King

BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

RECESSIONAL
Triumphal March from "Aida"

SENIORS CLAIM JOBS

The entire Senior class will be working shortly after graduation. With the exception of Annie Lee Jenkins, who will work in a hospital prior to her entrance to Practical Nursing School, all the Seniors have positions with local firms such as the Chase-Manhattan Bank, Chemical Bank New York Trust Company and Hearst Magazine Company.

The above positions were obtained during the Easter vacation when the Seniors went out seeking jobs. We wish all of them the best of luck as they make the transition from school to the business world.

PRESENTING OUR GRADUATES

On Wednesday, June 20, 1926, graduation exercises were held in the chapel of Euphrasian High for the last time. Rev. Joseph M. Collins, our chaplain, presided and awarded the diplomas to the graduates.

Anne Marie De Surrey

Small, pert . . . she stands 5′ . . . her ambition in life? She wants to be a private secretary. Who wouldn't? Taking shorthand with pleasure at 100 words a minute . . . She likes nice clothes, and when asked about styles her reply was "I believe in keeping up with times, but not this time."

Ann Von Toussaint

Merry and Mary-like . . . Ann is continuously smiling . . . She takes part in all extra-curricular activities and is a member of our glee-club . . . her favorite sport is swimming, at which she is an expert . . . at the age of seventeen she hopes to be one of the FUTURE housewives of this country.

Pura Rivera

Pura is nicknamed "MISS WONDERFUL" . . . She is sweet, considerate, a wonderful actress . . . She is torn between working for the FBI or heading for the stage. Where will we see her, Broadway or Washington, D. C.? Whatever you choose, best of luck Pura!

Frances O'Dell

Hail and hardy, Fran is understanding . . . she can have a good laugh because of simple things . . . she is allround in the sports department, name it and she can do it, (stickball, baseball, swimming, diving). Yes, you've guessed it. Fran is the "sports woman" of Euphrasian.

Sara Velez

A little bit of stubborn ink spilt from the pen of the Lord when He was making silhouettes and that's how Sara came to be . . . Our short, quiet friend is kind, but just watch out when she is aroused . . . she isn't so short after all . . . She has a high ambition . . . MARRIAGE . . . We at Euphrasian wish her the best of everything because beneath that stubborn streak there beats a heart of gold.

Margaret Accurso

A native of Brooklyn . . . you can see her walking around the halls trying to lose her accent . . . former secretary to our Principal . . . when cleaning out her desk she must have thrown out dozens of memories . . . We hope sincerely that there are a few around that she had missed, so that they will be a reminder of her work for Euphrasian High.

Annie Lee Jenkins

Laughter comes naturally when you are around her . . . she has a place in her heart for everyone she comes in contact with, and dear Euphrasian has a place in its heart for her . . . Many times the future classes will look back to the example set by her.

Nydia Campiz

We leave her to last because we wish to ask her prayers for the members of the sodality . . . We hope that our next prefect will be as understanding as she . . . Nydia carries away with her, to the busy world, a piece of each girl, and we should like to tell her that we shall strive to reach the goal she has put before us; always to be Marylike in thought, word, and deed.

The high school graduates are: Margaret Accurso, Nydia Campiz, Anne Marie De Surrey, Annie Lee Jenkins, Frances O'Dell, Pura Rivera, Sara Velez and Ann Von Toussaint.

The vocational graduates are: Carmen Batista, Janice Carlyle, Gloria Colon, Mary Cruz, Aida Ortiz, Edith Perez, Theresa Pena, Carmen Rios, and Maria Sanjurjo.

The entire student body was present at the graduation as well as the parents and relatives of the graduates.

GOD BLESS YOU, GRADUATES. MAY YOU FIND THE PATH GOD HAS CALLED YOU TO.

Graduates of the Vocational Class.

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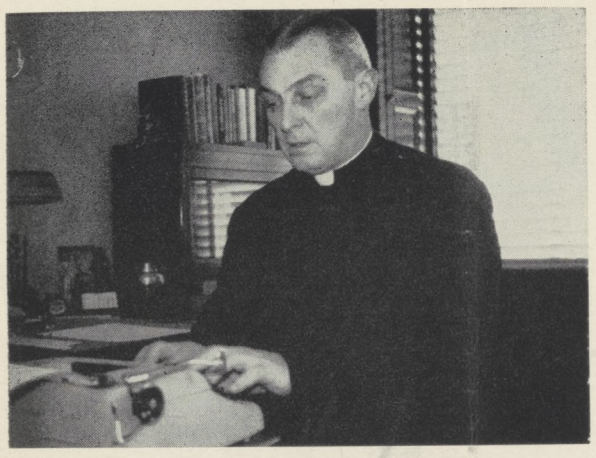

Rev. Joseph M. Collins

Father Collins inspires us . . .
To be true apprentices of Christ

"Whether we shall be masters
we cannot say . . .
But we can be apprentices—
Apprentices who work at the side
of the Master."

Gertrude Maasen

As this issue of EUPHRADIO comes from the press, it means that the farewell time is approaching, the goodbye days for so many of you. School is over, the graduates are dreaming of caps and gowns and diplomas and home and positions, the warm days bring thoughts of the pool and the lawns of Madonna Heights for some; for others the summer time will mean returning home again. So it is that I write for and to those of you who will not be here in the fall, those who will be living in the midst of the world.

The lines which head this article sum up our place in the world. Read them—think about them. Each one of us is in the world alone; each one of us is different from every other person on earth. For each of us God has His own plan. The fulfilling of his plan needs the virtue which our little verse calls for, the virtue of piety. This gift of the Holy Spirit helps us to live as loving children of God, our Father, respecting Him, obeying Him and all those who receive their authority and their right to our love from Him.

Piety is not something which prevents us from a full and usefully happy life in the world. On the contrary, it is a virtue which is to be practised in the practical circumstances of life according to the energies, tastes and duties of each individual. An employee practises piety by careful work, promptness and loyalty to her job. A pious mother is one who cares for and watches over her children—not one who neglects them to run to church.

So, you see, piety does not spoil anything, does not hinder enjoyment or success; rather does it perfect and make more beautiful every action of every day. As the great St. Paul says: "Whether you eat or drink, or whatsoever you do, do all for the glory of God." That is piety—the daily offering of our lives to God, to please Him, serve Him, to honor Him.

St. Francis de Sales once wrote, "The more one unifies her life through piety and religious conviction, the more lovable will she be. Thus her care for the family becomes easier and more natural; love between husband and wife grows deeper; relation with our neighbors, employers, fellow-workers becomes warmer. In a word, our duties are fulfilled in a friendlier and more meaningful atmosphere." .....

My prayer, then, for you is this, that you may, all the days of your life be true apprentices who work and live and learn at the side of the Master—your beloved Good Shepherd, Christ!

God bless you!

FATHER COLLINS

OPEN LETTER TO THE SENIORS

Dear Seniors,

Since I am a Junior going into my Senior year I feel the same as you did one whole year ago, jittery, jumpy, and joyful.

When I had first started high school I though I'd never finish, and I guess you thought the same. Here you are taking your final step, and I, taking my next to last step.

After seeing the way you all worked together I began to realize it wouldn't be long now. The time seems to go faster when there is always something to do and it becomes fun!

I know that there were times when every one of you wanted to just drop everything; but you all held on.

Since I am the new editor of this paper I hope to carry on the good work of the former editors.

Every one will miss seeing you around; especially your smiling faces. We all wish you luck in everything you do. GOD BLESS YOU.

The Editor
KATHLEEN NELSON

P.S. Thank you for the encouragement; wish me luck!

JUNE, SWEET JUNE

Graduation is a ceremony which is long awaited for since freshman year. It is something exciting, yet serious. It means not only the end of our school days for most of us but also the beginning of our adult life.

Thanks to Euphrasian High, the eight of us have successfully passed the tests to acquire a good office job in the various large firms about New York. We can take our place in the world, confident that all we have learned here will be a lasting impression on our memories. Now, it is time to walk down the aisle and leave Euphrasian, a memory of the past. As the last class of Brooklyn, since Huntington will be the new location, we leave our appreciation and prayers for all the Mothers who have helped us so much.

As we walk up the aisle to receive our coveted diploma, our hearts are gratefully raised in thanksgiving for all the blessings which have been bestowed on us during these past four years.

Anne Marie DeSurrey

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We the seniors of the graduating class of '62 do hereby leave our last will and testament to the future seniors of '63.

Margaret Accurso

Will leave to a very fortunate Junior, Kathleen Nelson, her knowledge as a typist. She hopes Mother Sebastian's new secretary will learn as many things as she has learned.

Nydia Campiz

Relinquishes her title as prefect to the Sodality of Our Lady to someone who loves our Blessed Mother very much.

Anne Marie De Surrey

A very privileged Junior by the name of Nora Greig will have the very best gift of Anne Marie's Shorthand skill.

Annie Lee Jenkins

Leaves her good will to the entire Junior Class that they too may enjoy their last year as she did.

Frances O'Dell

Leaves her position as co-editor to anyone fortunate enough to get the job. "Get to work, you have a few hard tasks ahead of you."

Pura Rivera

A wonderful artist will leave her art talent to Noemi Castro. "Easy on the strokes Noemi."

Sara Velez

Hands down her ability as a Nurse's Aid to ????. "I hope you like the smell of medicine."

Ann Von Toussaint

Will leave her talent as an actress to Junior Claire Madsen. "Carry on Claire. Carry on."

MOTHER MARY OF THE DIVINE HEART

On several occasions Our Lord has appeared to saints and has asked them to say for Him something He wishes the world to know. He has appeared to St. Margaret Mary, St. John Eudes, and a few others. Among them was a Good Shepherd Sister, Mother Mary of the Divine Heart.

Mother Divine Heart was born at Darfield, near Munster, West phalia, on September 8, 1863. In her early youth Mother heard a call to the religious life, but because of her frail health she had to wait years before she was able to join the convent. Then in the year 1888, on November 21, her desire was fulfilled, she entered the Congregation of the Good Shepherd of Angers at the Convent in Munster.

Her zeal for the glory of the Sacred Heart and for the salvation of souls grew in proportion to her great physical and moral sufferings. But Mother was constantly strengthened and sustained by His frequent communications with her.

Several times Our Lord told her of His burning desire to see the human race consecrated to Him by the Supreme Pontiff. Mother wrote twice to Pope Leo XIII to petition this Consecration. Deeply moved by her request, which corresponded with his most secret desire, His Holiness set this Universal Consecration for June 11, 1889.

Pope Leo XIII declared that by divine revelation he knew that this act was the greatest of his Pontificate, and he added: "There are in the world some holy souls who received communications from heaven, and sometimes the Pope is convinced of these communications in such a manner that he cannot doubt that they come from God . . . this is what happened when the Consecration of the Universe to the Sacred Heart was spoken of."

Our Lord said to her in one of His appearances; "Know my child, that out of the charity of My Heart, I wish to pour out torrents of graces through your heart into the hearts of others. This is the reason why many will address themselves to you with confidence, though not on account of your qualities, for I am the cause of it all.

Never shall anyone who comes in contact with you leave your presence without being in someway consoled, comforted or sanctified, or without receiving some grace, even the most hardened sinner."

Mother Mary of the Divine Heart died on June 8, 1899. She went to rest with her Divine Savior on the eve of the Triduum which preceded the Consecration of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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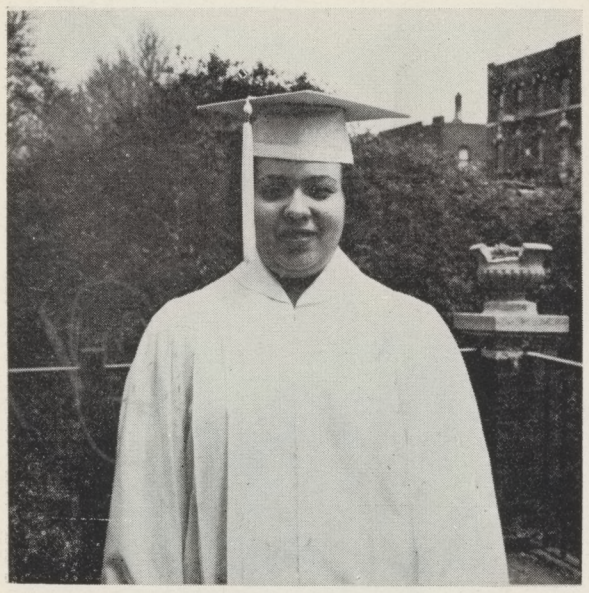

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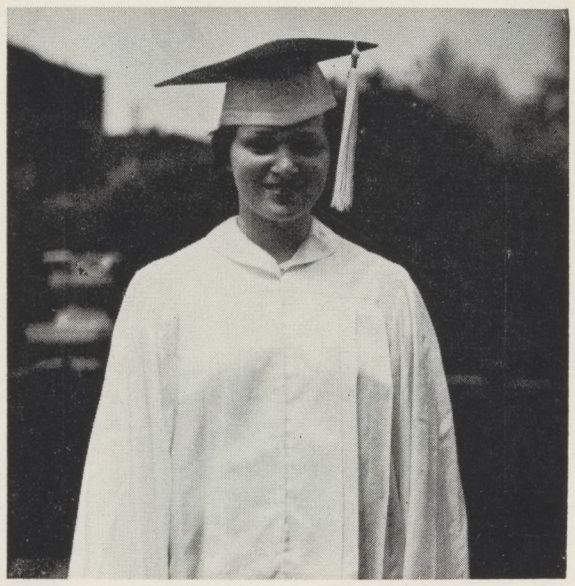

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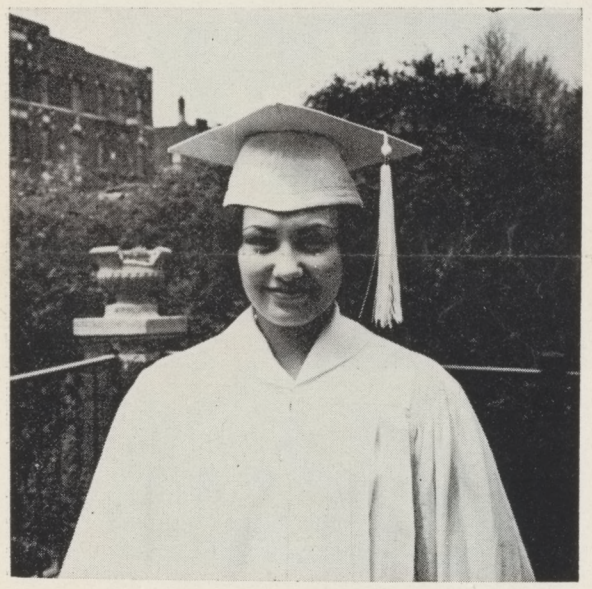

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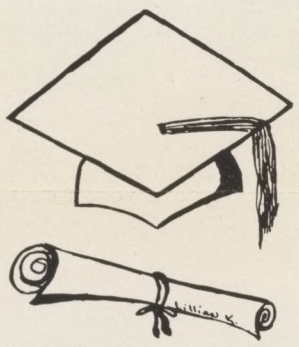

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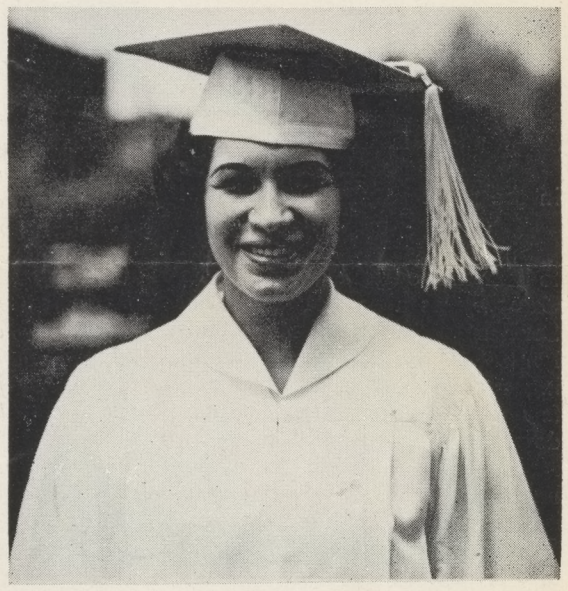

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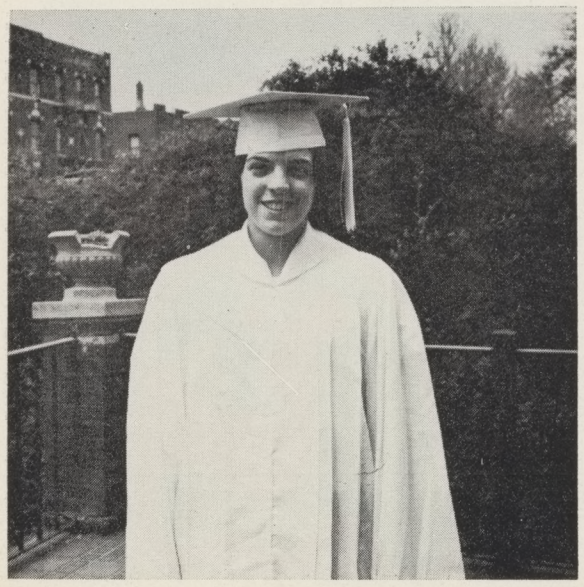

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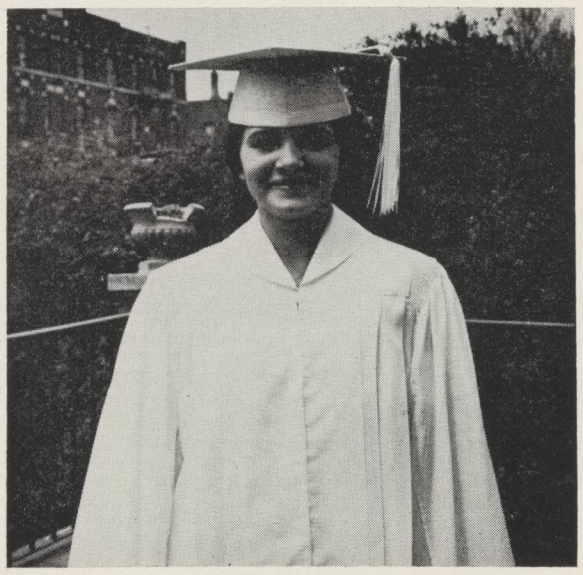

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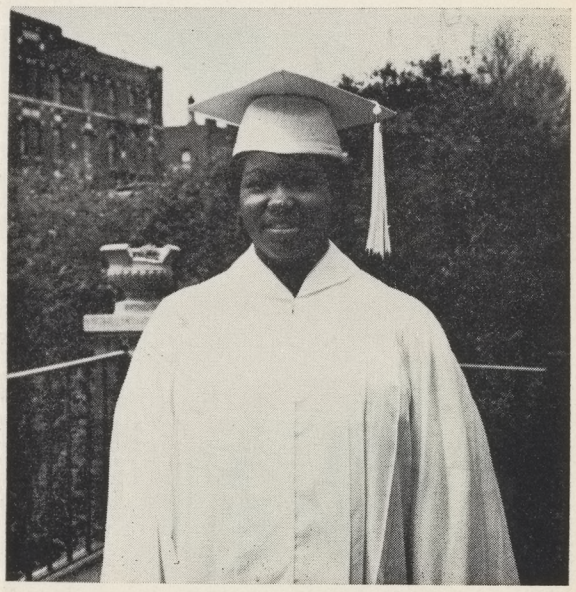

Annie Lee Jenkins

Tiptoeing through the Tulips.

CLASS PROPHECY

On a sunny day in July ten years after my graduation from Euphrasian High, I saw an old friend and classmate, Pura Rivera. She was going into the F. B. I. building to make her report to Edgar Hoover. She was a very prominent member of the Secret Service.

I couldn't get to talk to her right away so I waited and I finally had a few minutes to talk about old times. She informed me that Anne Von Toussaint was appearing in the leading role of a big Broadway musical. Her stage name is Gale Winters. I recalled how good she used to be in the stage plays we put on in school.

She was very much surprised to hear that our old friend, Nydia Campiz was a part of the Social Service staff in one of the Brooklyn Courts. I told her she was doing very well. I had seen her a few days earlier while shopping downtown. I remarked it was a small world. I asked her if she heard any news of our old Senior class. Pura told me that she met Anne Marie DeSurrey at one of the trials she had to attend. Anne Marie is now one of the leading court stenographers. She also told me that she met Margaret Accurso passing in her car. Margaret called to her and invited her up for lunch. She told how well she was doing at her job. She was now the supervisor of the typing division at the banking concern where she was employed.

When they reached the house Pura was very nicely surprised to see Sara Velez who had just successfully come through a major operation with the help of a fine R. N., and a very old friend, Anna Lee Jenkins, who was doing very well and is very happy. Sara was recuperating and was missed very much at her job as a competent typist.

I am very happy to say that I am married to a fine young man and we have two lovely children.

Frances O'Dell

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Blanca Mercado presents corsage to Mrs. Astor.

VOCATIONAL-B OUTSCORES SENIORS

For the first time in three years the Senior class met with defeat during the recent intramural basketball tournament. The Vocational B class put the game "in the bag" with a 27-26 score.

The game was full of vigor, excitement and action from beginning to end. At the end of the first half the Seniors were in the lead but in the last two quarters the Vocational surged ahead with the help of Rosemary Hossley, who in addition to receiving the first place cup, also received high honors for being the best forward and scoring the most baskets.

It was a game that will long live in the memories of Euphrasianites because of the great victory and the great defeat! The Seniors, although they lost, realized that there is always a first time and displayed good sportsmanship with their hearty approval of the Vocational triumph.

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SUMMER IS COMING

Yes here it is, another whole summer ahead and one less school year behind us. This will be the last summer of bus trips to Madonna Heights. Next year there will be just a short hike across the lawn and into the pool for a full day's enjoyment. At the present we will go out by bus, each group having their turn to go during the week. Of course by no means is this a disadvantage; we enjoy very much going swimming, but our time is limited, on account of the long trip there and back. In the meantime though, we're getting our vocal chords ready for some good old-fashioned camp songs to sing on the bus. The passing cars do enjoy our singing and we have such stenorian voices, that they can't help but hear us.

This year we will again have Miss Dorothy Garvin as head counsellor of our summer camp. She will be aided by Miss Mary Anne Cavanaugh and Miss Rosemary Massey. In addition to swimming instructions, they have organized games and a daily cookout program.

Before we start our bus trips, the Fourth of July will be celebrated, and that is always a lot of fun with all the out-door activities, and picnic supper in the yard. We're sure looking forward to this day. The next day we hope to start our first trip to the Heights.

We look forward to these future events with much enthusiasm. Soon all Euphrasians will be there "Divin' and Splashin."

Claire Madsen

Noemi Castro looks like a professional.

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Euphrasian "monks" surround Our Lady and the Juggler.

GIRLS ENTERTAIN GOLDEN AGERS

The Glee Club and the Euphrasian "Rockettes" boarded a bus on May 28 and headed for St. Patrick's Home for the Aged in the Bronx. The home is staffed by the Carmelite Sisters.

Under the direction of Mother Mary Esther the Glee Club sang a Medley from "Sound of Music; "One Little Candle" and "When the Red Red Robin Comes Bob-bin' Along." The selections were interspersed with tap dance routines which were enjoyed immensely by the old folks. Following the planned program there were requests for Irish music which was promptly fulfilled by the Glee Club and dancers.

The Carmelite Sisters had asked our dancing teacher, Miss Betty Watson, if some of her star pupils could put on a program. We are very grateful to have been chosen to entertain some of our senior citizens in the Bronx.

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